

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Frank Loeffler

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For: DEHALOCOCCOIDES ISOLATE FOR  
BIOREMEDIATION

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Examiner: D.K. Ware

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL  
OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (the "PTO") on April 3, 2008, and pursuant to Rule 111 of the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying Remarks. A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS") is submitted concurrently with this response, including Form PTO/SB/08b with copies of the documents cited therein. A Fee Transmittal letter also accompanies these submissions, with payment of the estimated IDS fee. It is believed that no additional fees are required for these submissions. However, should the PTO determine that any additional fee is required or that any refund is owed for this application, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge the required fee(s) and/or credit the refund(s) to Deposit Account No. 04-0100 of Applicant's undersigned representatives.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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